(c) Constant and vigorous efforts are made to contain the imports through augmentation of indigenous coal production, achievement of better coke rates resulting in lower consumption, higher supplies of Assam Coal etc. and improving the washery fields.

Metro Project in Calcutta

205. PROF. SOURENDRA BHATTA CHARJEE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that lapses of Metro Railway authorities in Calcutta have been the reason for not completing the Metro Projects within stipulated time;

(b) whether Metro Railways has also failed to initiate action for resolving disputes between the various contractors engaged in the project; and

(c) if so, the steps being contemplated to be taken to expedite the completion of the project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) and (b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Allotment of Government accommodation to the Government Servants

206. SHRI N. E. BALARAM: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that thousands of Government employees are in the Waiting lists for more than ten years for allotment of Government accommodation;

(b) if so, the priority date upto which the accommodation has been provided in various categories;

(c) what steps are proposed to be taken to provide accommodation to the Government employees who have come from outside Delhi particularly the Southern States on a preferential basis; and

(d) what is the number of pending applications categories-wise alongwith their priority date?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) It is true that a large number of Government employees are in the waiting list for more than ten years for allotment of general pool accommodation.

(b) Dates of priority covered in different types and pools upto Type-V as on 27-8-91 are given in Annexure. The position of satisfaction for other places is in Annexure. *[Vide* Appendix 160; Annexure No. 5 and 6].

(c) Construction of additional General Pool accommodation is taken up to the extent of budget provision made for the Ministry. There is no proposal to give any preferential treatment to people coming from a particular region.

(d) Number of pending applications in different types & pools as on 27-8-91 in Delhi are given in Annexure. *Vide* Appndix 160, Annejxure No. 7]

Loss due to Flood in Orissa

207. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the State of Orissa was effected by massive flood situation marooning more than 2000 villages in six sub-divisions;

(b) if so, the total losses to dwellings, crops, cattle etc. as a result thereof; and

(c) the financial assistance extended by the Central Government for relief measures?